## New York State Department of Motor Vehicles **DRIVER LICENSE CLASS DESCRIPTIONS**

License Class /	Vehicle Type			
(Minimum Age)	Examples	Vehicle Descriptions	Endorsement & Codes	Restrictions & Codes
A (21)	Combination— such as tractor-trailer or truck- trailer	<ul> <li>Gross combination weight rating (GCWR) of more than 26,000 lbs., provided the gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) or GCWR of vehicle(s) being towed is more than 10,000 lbs.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tank (N)</li> <li>Hazardous Materials (H)***</li> <li>Tank and HazMat (X)</li> <li>Double/Triple (T)</li> <li>Passenger (P)</li> <li>Metal Coil (M)</li> <li>Tow Truck (W)*</li> <li>School Bus (S)</li> </ul>	No interstate commerce (K) Not valid for air brakes (L) Not valid for Class A air brakes (L1) Municipal vehicles/school bus only (A3) Truck/trailer Combination: Truck/trailer combination only (O) Truck cannot exceed 26,000 lbs. GVWR (O1) Passenger endorsement restrictions: Class B vehicles (M) Class C vehicles (N) No vehicle designed for 15 or more adults (N1) No vehicle designed for 8 or more adults (N2)
B (21) (18 - CDL valid in NYS only. Cannot transport hazardous materials or operate a school bus.)	Single– such as heavy single unit truck	GVWR of more than 26,000 lbs. OR tractor portion of the tractor/trailer combination. (Class B may tow vehicles with a GVWR of 10,000 lbs. or less, or may tow a vehicle of more than 10,000 lbs. providing the GCWR is not more than 26,000 lbs.)	<ul> <li>Tank (N)</li> <li>Hazardous Materials (H)***</li> <li>Tank and HazMat (X)</li> <li>Passenger (P)</li> <li>Metal Coil (M)</li> <li>Tow Truck (W)*</li> <li>School Bus (S)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No interstate commerce (K)</li> <li>Not valid for air brakes (L)</li> <li>Not valid for Class B air brakes (L2)</li> <li>CMV tractor only (T)</li> <li>Municipal vehicles/school bus only (A3)</li> <li>Passenger endorsement restrictions:</li> <li>Class C vehicles (N)</li> <li>No vehicle designed for 15 or more adults (N1)</li> <li>No vehicle designed for 8 or more adults (N2)</li> </ul>
CDL C (21)  (18 - CDL valid in NYS only. Cannot transport hazardous materials or operate a school bus.)	Single– such as single unit truck or bus	GVWR of 26,000 lbs. or less that:     Transports 15 or more passengers;     OR     Transports passengers under     Article 19-A of the V & T Law,     OR     Carries Hazardous Materials     (Class C may tow vehicles with     a GVWR of 10,000 lbs. or less, or     may tow a vehicle of more than     10,000 lbs. providing the GCWR     is not more than 26,000 lbs.)	<ul> <li>Tank (N)</li> <li>Hazardous Materials (H)***</li> <li>Tank and HazMat (X)</li> <li>Passenger (P)</li> <li>Metal Coil (M)</li> <li>Tow Truck (W)*</li> <li>School Bus (S)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No interstate Commerce (K)</li> <li>Not valid for air brakes (L)</li> <li>Municipal vehicles/school bus only (A3)</li> <li>Passenger endorsement restrictions:</li> <li>No vehicle designed for 15 or more adults (N1)</li> <li>No vehicle designed for 8 or more adults (N2)</li> </ul>
Non-CDL C**** (18)	Single- such as farm vehicles	<ul> <li>GVWR of 26,000 lbs. or less that does not require a CDL endorsement.</li> <li>May tow a vehicle with a GVWR of 10,000 lbs. or less; or may tow a vehicle of more than 10,000 lbs. providing the GCWR is not more than 26,000 lbs.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Farm Class A vehicles (F)</li> <li>Farm Class B vehicles (G)</li> <li>Tow Truck (W)*</li> </ul>	Farm Class A Vehicles Only:  Truck/trailer combination only (O)  Truck cannot exceed 26,000 lbs. GVWR (O1)
D**** (18)  (17 with Student Certificate of Completion)	Single- such as passenger cars and light trucks	GVWR of 26,000 or less May tow a vehicle with a GVWR of 10,000 lbs. or less; or may tow a vehicle of more than 10,000 lbs. providing the GCWR is not over 26,000 lbs. Limited use automobiles Class B and/or Class C limited use motorcycles Recreational vehicles with a GVWR of 26,000 lbs. or less.	<ul> <li>RV with a GVWR of more than 26,000 lbs (R)</li> <li>HazMat for farm vehicle only (Z)</li> <li>Farm Class A vehicles (F)</li> <li>Farm Class B vehicles (G)</li> <li>Tow Truck (W)*</li> </ul>	Limited use automobile, with max speed of 40 mph (I)  Farm Class A Vehicles Only:     Truck/trailer combination only (O)     Truck cannot exceed 26,000 lbs. GVWR (O1)
DJ (16)	** Single	GVWR of 10,000 or less. May tow a vehicle of 3,000 lbs. or less. Limited use automobiles Class B and/or Class C limited use motorcycles		<ul> <li>Limited use automobile, with max speed of 40 mph (I)</li> <li>Limited use ending date, for Graduated Jr. license (A2)</li> </ul>
E (18)	Single– such as taxi and livery	<ul> <li>GVWR of 26,000 lbs. or less used to transport 14 or less passengers for hire AND does not fall under 19-A</li> <li>Tow privileges are the same as those for Class D.</li> <li>RV GVWR 26,000 lbs. or less</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>RV with a GVWR of more than 26,000 lbs. (R)</li> <li>HazMat for farm vehicle only (Z)</li> <li>Farm Class A vehicles (F)</li> <li>Farm Class B vehicles (G)</li> <li>Tow Truck (W)*</li> </ul>	Limited use automobile, with max speed of 40 mph (I)  Farm Class A Vehicles Only:     Truck/trailer combination only (O)     Truck cannot exceed 26,000 lbs. GVWR (O1)
M (18) (17 with Student Certificate of Completion)	Motorcycle			Limited use Motorcycle, with max speed of 40 mph (I1)     Limited use Motorcycle, with max speed of 30 mph (I2)     Limited use Motorcycle, with max speed of 20 mph (I3)
MJ (16)	** Motorcycle			Three wheel Motorcycle (I4) Limited use ending date, for Graduated Jr. license (A2)

<sup>\*</sup> Tow trucks with "S" endorsement valid until next DMV document is issued (e.g. renewal, duplicate), then converted to "W".

<sup>\*\*</sup> Subject to junior license restrictions.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> See HAZMAT Manual (CDL-11) for requirements.

\*\*\*\* Effective 7/26/05, a Class D license is valid to operate vehicles for which a Non-CDL C license was previously required. Applicants for an original Non-CDL C license will receive a Class D license; however, applicants seeking Farm (F)(G), and/or Tow Truck (W) endorsements will continue to receive a Non-CDL C license until programming changes are complete.